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The AI-Pt (Aluminum-Platinum) System

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Equilibrium Diagram

The Al-Pt phase diagram is complex. Certain of its features have been determined reliably. Al₂₁Pt₈, Al₂Pt, Al₃Pt₂, Al₃Pt₅, and AlPt₃ have been observed in two or more careful, independent studies and are established as equilibrium phases. Other aspects of the diagram are problematic. Some question has been raised as to the phase in equilibrium with (Al) and the liquid near 20 at.% Pt at 657 °C (although the weight of evidence favors the cubic Al₂₁Pt₅ phase). Debate also has occurred over the existence of the high- and low-temperature modifications of AlPt₂. The high-temperature β phase has been observed directly only once. The existence of the lowtemperature modification of AlPt₃ remains a matter of debate. Finally, no confirming measurements of liquidus, solidus, and invariant temperatures exist.

The equilibrium phases of the Al-Pt system include:

- The liquid, L
- The fcc terminal solid solutions, (Al) and (Pt)
- Al₂₁Pt₅, complex cubic, with essentially no solubility range
- Al₂₁Pt₈, tetragonal, with essentially no solubility range
- Al₂Pt, of cubic CaF₂ type, with a solubility range of about 1 at.% at 850 °C
- Al₃Pt₂, with the structure related to but not isotypic

Table 1 Special Points of the Al-Pt Phase Diagram

with hexagonal Al_3Ni_2 and essentially no solubility range

- AlPt, with the cubic FeSi structure and essentially no solubility range
- β , cubic CsCl type, occurring above 1260 °C, with approximate solubility range of 51 to 56 at.%
- Al_3Pt_5 , rhombohedral Rh_5Ge_2 type, with solubility range of 1 to 2 at.%
- AlPt₂, the high-temperature modification of AlPt₂, with Ni₂Si structure and solubility range of 1 to 2 at.%
- AlPt₂(LT), the low-temperature modification of AlPt₂, with the Pt₂Ga(LT) structure and solubility range of 1 to 2 at.%
- \bullet AlPt₃, with cubic Cu₃Au structure, and solubility range of about 10 at.%
- AlPt₃(LT), a tetragonal variant of the Cu₃Au structure occurring below 1290 °C, with solubility range from about 74 to 78 at.% at 859 °C

Invariant temperatures and compositions are listed in Table 1, crystal structures in Table 2, and lattice parameters in Table 3.

Liquidus and Solidus. Liquidus and solidus data are shown in Fig. 1. Two thermal analysis studies of the liquidus and solidus have been reported. The first [12Cho1, 12Cho2] covered the composition range 0 to 36.4 at.% Pt and was carried out on samples of doubtful purity. These

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1406	Peritectic
1397	Eutectic
1280	Eutectoid
1260	Eutectoid
1127	Peritectic
1060	Unknown
806	Peritectic
657	Eutectic
1769	Melting point
1556	Congruent
1554	Congruent
1527	Congruent
1290	Congruent
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Table 2 Al-Pt Cry	al Structure Data
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	Homogeneity range,	Pearson	Space	Struktur- bericht		
Phase	at.% Pt	symbol	group	designation	Prototype	Reference
(Al)	. ~0	cF4	Fm3m	A1	Cu	[Pearson2]
$Al_{21}Pt_5 \dots \dots$. 19.2	Cubic	•••	•••	•••	[64Huc, 80Pia]
$Al_{21}Pt_8\dots\dots$. 27	ťI 116	$I4_1a$	•••	•••	[68Eds, 82Ell]
Al ₂ Pt	. 31.5 to 33.5	cF12	Fm3m	C1	CaF_2	[37Zin, 63Fer, 82Ell]
Al_3Pt_2	. 40	hP5	P3m1		•••	[78Bha]
AlPt	. 50	cP8	$p 2_1 3$	B 20	FeSi	[56Sch, 63Fer]
β	. ~52 to ~56	cP2	Pm3m	B 2	CsCl	[78Bha]
Al_3Pt_5	. ~61.5 to 63	oP 16	Pbam		Ge₃Rh₅	[64Huc]
AlPt ₂	. ~66 to ~67	oP 12	Pnma	C 23	PbCl ₂	[75Cha1]
$AlPt_2(LT),\ldots$. ~66 to ~67	oP 24	Pmma		$GaPt_2(l)$	[76Cha]
AlPt ₃	. ~67.3 to ~77.7	cP4	Pm3m	$L1_2$	AuCu ₃	[62Bro, 64Huc, 63Mag]
$AlPt_3(LT)$. ~73.5 to 100	tP 16	P4/mbm		$GaPt_3(l)$	[75Cha1]
(Pt)	. ~83.8 to 100	cF4	Fm3m	A1	Cu	[Pearson2]
Metastable pha	BSCS					
α'		cF4	Fm3m	A1	Cu	[64Com]
Al ₄ Pt	. ~20	Hexagonal	•••	•••	•••	[78Sch, 80Pia, 82E11]
Al ₆ Pt	. ~14	Orthorhombic	•••		•••	[74Ton, 78Cha, 79Cha]
ε'		Cubic			•••	[78Cha, 79Cha]
<u>λ'</u>	. 10 to 25	···			•••	[82Ell]

Table 3 Al-Pt Lattice Parameter Data

(Composition, Lattice parameters, nm					
Phase	at.% Pt	8	Ъ	С	Reference	
(Al)	0	0.40496			[Pearson2]	
Al ₂₁ Pt	19.2	1.923	•••		[64Huc]	
	19.2	1.932	•••		[80Pia]	
$Al_{21}Pt_8\ldots$	27	1.297	•••	1.066	[68Eds]	
	27	1.2964	•••	1.0684	[82E11]	
Al ₂ Pt		0.5992	•••		[37Zin]	
		0.5910	•••	•••	[63Fer]	
	32	0.5920	•••	•••	[82E11]	
	33	0.5910	•••		[82E11]	
Al_3Pt_2	40	0.4208	•••	0.5172	[63Fer]	
	40	0.422		0.517	[64Com]	
	40	0.420	•••	0.517	[82E11]	
AlPt	50	0.486			[56Sch]	
	50	0.4864			[63Fer]	
β	53	0.3125			[78Bha]	
Al_3Pt_5		0.541	1.070	0.395	[64Huc]	
AlPt ₂	66.6	0.7898	0.5401	0.4055	[76Cha]	
$AlPt_2(LT)$	66.6	1.630	0.392	0.544	[76Cha]	
AlPt ₃	72.8	0.3871			[62Bro]	
		0.3876			[64Huc]	
	•••	0.387			[63Mag]	
AlPt _s (LT)	74	0.546			[75Cha1]	
(Pt)	88	0.3905	•••		[79Sch]	
	90	0.3905		•••	[62Bro]	
	90	0.3905	•••		[79Sch]	
	92	0.3910		• • •	[79Sch]	
	92.9	0.3911	•••		[70Dar]	
	94	0.3914	•••	•••	[79Sch]	
	96.4	0.3917			[70Dar]	
	97	0.3910	•••		[79Sch]	
	98.5	0.3920	•••		[79Sch]	
Pt	100	0.39239	•••		[Pearson2]	
Note: All measurements made at 25 °C, except β , at 1340 °C.						

data are in serious disagreement with the later study of [64Huc] and were not used to place either the liquidus or

solidus. [64Huc] also carried out metallographic, XRD, and density measurements over the range 0 to 100 at.% Pt. The accuracy of their temperature measurements was probably no better than ± 10 °C. Although thermal analysis was performed in heating and cooling, it is not clear whether the reported arrest temperatures were obtained on heating or cooling, or were averages of the two.

[64Huc] reported an Al_2Pt_3 phase formed by a peritectic reaction at 1397 °C. Their XRD pattern for this phase shows strong AlPt lines, similar to but slightly shifted from those of Al_3Pt_5 , and a few weak lines not related obviously to any other of the structures they reported. These XRD data argue not for the existence of an Al_2Pt_3 phase, but for a range of solubility for Al_3Pt_5 . Subsequent studies failed to confirm Al_2Pt_3 [75Cha1, 78Bha].

[64Huc] identified a thermal arrest at 1260 °C and 50 to 60 at.% Pt as a L \rightleftharpoons AlPt + Al₂Pt₃ eutectic reaction. This identification seems implausible for several reasons. First, there is the substantial doubt of the existence of Al₂Pt₃. Second, this interpretation implies an implausibly steep liquidus slope in the vicinity of 57 at.% Pt. Third, metallographic studies by [75Cha1] of samples containing 59, 60, and 60.5 at.% Pt, heat treated at and quenched from 1300 °C, showed only Al₃Pt₅ and AlPt, the latter having apparently undergone a solid-state transformation. No chilled liquid was seen. [75Cha1] suggested that the AlPt observed may have been transformed from a high-temperature phase of CsCl structure. Subsequently, via high-temperature XRD, [78Bha] confirmed the existence of the high-temperature phase of CsCl structure in a sample containing 53 at.% Pt that was single phase at 1340 °C. The phase admixture at 1208 °C was AlPt + Al₃Pt₅; that at 1272 °C was AlPt + β . No indication of liquefaction was reported. Consequently, the arrest observed by [64Huc] at 1260 °C probably corresponds to the $\beta \rightleftharpoons AlPt + Al_3Pt_5$ eutectoid decomposition.



Two (Pt) solidus points obtained metallographically by [70Dar] agree well with the [64Huc] thermal (Pt) solidus data.

Terminal Solubilities. [64Huc] reported Pt to be practically insoluble in (Al). They placed the $L \rightleftharpoons (Al) + Al_{21}Pt_5$ eutectic temperature at 657 °C. Our extrapolation of the liquidus to this temperature places the eutectic composition at 0.44 at.% Pt. This concentration is in very good agreement with that inferred from the observed convergence of the coupled growth zone in the directional solidification studies of [80Pia]. Assuming no solubility of Pt in (Al) and a 3 °C depression of the eutectic temperature below the melting point, we obtain, by linear extrapolation of the partition coefficient at infinite dilution, an estimated eutectic composition of 0.45 at.% Pt. From the agreement of this value with the observed eutectic composition, we conclude that the assumption of essentially no solubility is valid.

Further inference of the solubility of Pt in (Al) can be made from the [74Ton] study of splat-quenched alloys containing up to 3 at.% Pt. In the as-quenched state up to 2 at.% Pt, only (Al) was detectable by XRD, with the lattice parameter decreasing linearly with composition. After heat treatment for 15 min at 300 °C, the (Al) lattice parameter was indistinguishable from that of pure Al. After allowance for the error limits of the XRD measurements, an extreme upper limit on the solubility of Pt in (Al) of 0.1 at.% Pt can be inferred, but we believe that it is considerably less, in view of the fact (see "Metastable Phases") that [74Ton] assumed partitionless solidification in the quenched liquid.

From the combined data of [64Huc] and [70Dar], we estimate that approximately 14 at.% Al dissolves in (Pt) at 1510 °C. X-ray lattice parameter studies yielded 10 at.% Al at 1200 °C [62Bro] and 10 and 5 at.% Al at 1000 °C and 300 °C [79Sch]. The (Pt) solvus data obtained by [70Dar] from microprobe analysis are not consistent with the [62Bro] and [79Sch] data or with their own metallographic results at high temperature.

Al₂₁Pt₅ vs Al₄Pt. Two phases in equilibrium with (Al) and the liquid near 657 °C have been reported. On the basis of XRD and density studies, [64Huc] identified the equilibrium phase as cubic, of Al₂₁Pt₅ composition. Directional solidification, XRD, and density studies of alloys near the eutectic composition by [80Pia] confirmed thisidentification. [78Sch] reported, without experimental detail, the equilibrium phase to be hexagonal, of Al₄Pt composition. [82E11] confirmed the hexagonal phase via XRD studies of alloys heat treated at 597 °C for two days, containing 19, 20, and 21 at.% Pt, with the 20 at.% sample single phase.

However, [80Pia] also found the hexagonal phase in alloys of near, but hypereutectic, composition and gave its composition as $Al_{21}Pt_6$. Moreover, they noted slow but significant transformation of the hexagonal into the cubic phase over a period of several hours at 200 °C. Inspection of the thermal arrest data of [64Huc] near 657 and 806 °C reveals that with increasing Pt content both the eutectic arrest near 657 °C and the peritectic arrest near 806 °C lie slightly higher below 10 at.% Pt than above. These observations suggest that the hexagonal Al₄Pt phase is metastable and more easily nucleated at higher Pt content than the equilibrium cubic $Al_{21}Pt_5$ phase.

 $Al_{21}Pt_{6}$, $Al_{2}Pt$, and AIPt. Experimental results for these phases are summarized in Tables 2 and 3. No further comment is needed.

The β **Phase**. The experimental evidence for the existence of this phase, metallographic data of [75Cha1] and high-temperature XRD data of [78Bha], are shown in Fig. 1. Interpretation of the thermal arrest observed at 1260 °C by [64Huc] as a $\beta \rightleftharpoons AlPt + Al_3Pt_5$ eutectoid was presented in the discussion of the liquidus. The peritectic reaction AlPt + L $\rightleftharpoons \beta$ has been introduced so that (1) no violent disagreement with liquidus arrest data of [64Huc] occurs, and (2) thermodynamically plausible curvatures of the $\beta/\beta + L$ and $\beta/\beta + Al_3Pt_5$ boundaries could be drawn. This is a speculative placement only, yielding a plausibly shaped β single-phase field.

AlPt₂ and AlPt₂(LT). AlPt₂ was reported by [75Cha1] and [76Cha] via metallography and XRD structural analysis; AlPt₂(LT) was reported by [75Cha1] and [75Cha2], the latter via diffusion couples and microprobe analysis. [68Fer] reported an extremum in heat of formation data at about 67 at.% Pt. [76Gue], however, performed microprobe analyses on samples containing 66.5 at.% Pt, heat treated at temperatures from 500 to 1350 °C, and found only compositions corresponding to AlPt₃ and Al₃Pt₅. These experiments might be considered to cast doubt on existence of the AlPt₂ phases, because the heat treatment times of [76Gue] considerably exceeded those of [75Cha1]. However, [75Cha1] carried out heat treatment in Al₂O₃ crucibles sealed in evacuated quartz ampules, whereas the [76Gue] heat treatments were carried out in argon backfilled quartz ampules. The use of silica alone poses a danger of Si contamination, and destabilization of the AlPt₂ phases may have occurred in such a situation. The weight of evidence seems to favor the occurrence of AlPt₂ and AlPt₂(LT) as stable equilibrium binary phases. The nature and temperatures of the reactions between 1050 and 1125 °C are unknown. Following [75Cha1], we have presented them in Fig. 1 by a dashed horizontal at 1060 °C.

AlPt₃ and AlPt₃(LT). AlPt₃ was shown to have cubic Cu₃Au structure by [58Kle], [62Bro], [63Mag], [64Huc], and [75Cha1]. The present placement of the boundaries of the AlPt₃ phase near 1500 °C relies on the thermal analysis data of [64Huc] and the metallographic data of [70Dar]. Between 1050 and 1250 °C, X-ray structural and metallographic data of [62Bro] and [75Cha1] are used. The tetragonal structure of the low-temperature modification, AlPt₃(LT), was identified by [62Bro], [64Huc], and [75Cha1]. [75Cha1] showed that the unit cell described by [62Bro] and [64Huc] is not the primitive cell. [64Huc] noted that AlPt₃(LT) forms on cooling to 1280 °C and below, without observable heat release. The character of the invariant reaction is not clear. The congruent transformation at 1290 °C and the related eutectoid reaction $AlPt_3 \rightleftharpoons AlPt_3(LT) + (Pt) \text{ at } 1280 \ ^{\circ}C \ (Fig. 1) \text{ were}$ sketched as possibilities by [75Cha1] and are adopted here. Neither [70Dar] nor [76Gue] confirmed the existence of the AlPt₃(LT) modification, but neither considered that their experiments excluded its existence. Metallographic data of [62Bro] and [75Cha1] are shown in Fig.1.

Metastable Phases

In a thin-film diffusion couple of 50 at.% Pt (Al over Pt on a mica substrate, heat treated at 410 $^{\circ}$ C) [64Com] found an

fcc phase with lattice parameter, 0.410 ± 0.001 nm, larger than that of Al. This phase, whose composition could not be determined, grew when the sample was cooled below 410 °C. It is labeled α' in Table 2. Possibly, it grows epitaxially and metastably from the mica substrate.

Al₄Pt was observed by [80Pia] and [82Ell] and reported without experimental detail by [75Cha1] and [78Sch]. Evidence for its metastability has already been presented.

[74Ton] splat quenched samples containing 0 to 3 at.% Pt. In samples containing 2 at.% Pt or less, no X-ray lines other than those of fcc (Al) were observed, and the lattice spacing dropped linearly from the pure Al value to approximately 0.4026 nm at 2 at.% Pt (prequenched liquid composition). When such samples were heated at 300 °C for 15 min, lattice spacings became indistinguishable from pure Al. Hence, a metastable solubility of ~ 2 at.% Pt was inferred. (A cautionary note is raised by the work of [79Cha], discussed below). In other samples, containing from 2 to 3 at.% Pt, [74Ton] observed a metastable phase which they classified as tetragonal, with a = 1.358and c = 1.665 nm, with nominal composition Al₆Pt. In a sequence of 15 min heat treatments at various temperatures, Al₆Pt transformed completely to the cubic Al₂₁Pt₅ phase at 650 °C.

[78Cha] and [79Cha] examined splat-quenched alloys containing 1 at.% Pt by X-ray and electron diffraction. In as-quenched foils, XRD showed broad (Al) lines plus weak extra lines. Electron diffraction indicated that the extra lines arose from an extremely fine precipitate of a cubic phase, with lattice parameter 0.567 ± 0.003 nm. It was interpreted as a metastable extension of Al_2Pt . This phase is labeled ε' in Table 2. In aged samples, another phase of nominal composition Al₆Pt was observed and classified as orthorhombic, with a = 1.5762, b = 1.2103,and c = 0.8313 nm. [78Cha] noted that this structure reproduces the XRD pattern observed by [74Ton] quite well, except at very low scattering angles. Probably, the same phase was observed by [74Ton], [78Cha], and [79Cha] and its actual structure is orthorhombic. For present purposes, we accept that the three investigators observed the same phase and further accept the [78Cha] indexing.

There remains the possibility that fine precipitates of Al_6Pt may have been present in the as-quenched [74Ton] samples. If so, the metastable solubility of Pt in (Al) inferred by [74Ton] may be in significant error, in view of their assumption of partitionless solidification. However, the splat-quenched product is well known to vary considerably with such factors as sample thickness and local quench rate; consequently, no conclusive judgment can be made on this point.

In splat-quenched samples containing 1 to 53 at.% Pt, [82E11] observed by XRD an un-indexable phase that disappeared (in most cases) on annealing at 597 °C. It is denoted λ' in Table 2.

Thermodynamics

[68Fer] determined the heats of formation of solid Al-Pt alloys in the composition range 18 to 94 at.% Pt by solution calorimetry. The results are listed in Table 4.

Table 4Al-Pt Enthalpies of Formationfrom Solution Calorimetry [68Fer]

Composition, at.% Pt	Enthalpy of formation $(-\Delta_t H)$, J/mol	Composition, at.% Pt	Enthalpy of formation $(-\Delta_t H)$, J/mol
17.7	50 200	50.5	100 400
19.8	57 300	58.5	92 900
26.5	71 128	63.6	87 800
37.4	100 416	67.8	88 300
42	95 000	74	71 100
42	88 000	74.7	69 900
48.7	92 000	94.2	18400
50.2	101 700		

By an electrochemical cell technique, [81Wor] measured the Gibbs energy of mixing at 75 at.% Pt to be $-76\ 460\ +$ 7.48 T J/mol of atoms. A comparable heat of formation at 74.7 at.% Pt is $-69\ 900\ J/mol$ of atoms [68Fer].

[78Sch] measured the Al partial Gibbs energy of mixing by the electrochemical cell method in the composition range 85 to 98.5 at.% Pt and from 700 to 800 °C. (Pt) solvus values in agreement with the X-ray lattice parameter results of [79Sch] were obtained.

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